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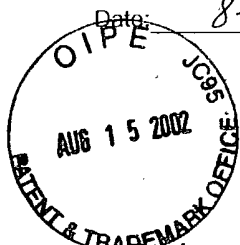
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Iversen, *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/493,427

FILED: January 29, 2000

FOR: **ANTISENSE RESTENOSIS COMPOSITION
AND METHOD**

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Preliminary Amendment

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Sir:

Before examination of the above-referenced continuation application, filed herewith, please amend the application as set forth below. A petition for a 5 month extension of time and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), as required to keep the parent application (US Patent Application S/N 09/493,427) pending is included herewith.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 23-27 without prejudice and add new claims 28-48 as follows:

28. A method for treating a vascular injury site by reducing restenosis at the site, said method comprising

administering to a patient, by intravascular delivery directly to the vascular injury site, a morpholino antisense compound having (i) from 8 to 40 nucleotides, including a targeting base sequence that is complementary to a region that spans the start codon of a human *c-myc* mRNA gene, and (ii) uncharged, phosphorous-containing intersubunit linkages, in an amount effective to reduce restenosis in the patient.

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